



1

HOUSE RESOLUTION

2

WHEREAS, Roger John will retire from his position as executive director of the Peoria Housing Authority (PHA) on August 1, 2006, after serving in the position for ten years; and

3

4

5

6

WHEREAS, He was born in Peoria in September of 1941 and has lived in the area for most of his life; he spent four years in the U.S. Coast Guard and returned to Peoria in 1963; he briefly worked for Caterpillar in East Peoria and went on to work at Central Illinois Light Company (CILCO); he earned a B.A. in management from Sangamon State University; and

7

8

9

10

11

12

WHEREAS, Mr. John worked at CILCO for a total of 32 years and retired in 1995; he was tapped in 1996 to temporarily fill the executive director position at the PHA and was the seventh person to head the troubled agency in a decade; and

13

14

15

16

WHEREAS, Under his leadership, the PHA made it off of the federal government's troubled list and many improvements were made; and

17

18

19

WHEREAS, He has volunteered with the United Way, Junior Achievement, Boy Scouts, the Peoria Chamber of Commerce, Illinois Valley Wheelm'n, the Illinois Valley Striders, and the Peoria Art Guild; and

20

21

22

23

WHEREAS, Mr. John and his wife enjoy running, cycling, kayaking, cultural events, prairie gardening, and many other things; he also enjoys working on his eclectic collection of old cars and truck; therefore, be it

24

25

26

27

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate Roger John on the occasion of his retirement,

28

29

1 and we wish him well in the future; and be it further

2 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
3 presented to Mr. John as an expression of our esteem.